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2021 Municipal Election Calendar

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Please Note: Potential changes to state law regarding voter registration and early voting for Municipal Elections may require a revised calendar

- July 1:** Municipal Election Nomination Papers available at Election Commission office.
- August 2:** **5 p.m.** deadline to submit nomination papers & statements of financial interest for candidates.
- August 16:** **5 p.m.** deadline for Election Commission to certify signatures on nomination papers.
- August 18:** **5 p.m.** deadline for municipal candidates to file withdrawal of nomination.
- October 13:** **8 p.m.** deadline to register to vote in municipal election. In person registration hours are **8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.** Election Commission office only. (Mail-in registration must be postmarked by October 13th).
- October 25:** Deadline for **School Committee** candidates and **Political Committees** to file Municipal Campaign & Political Finance Reports. (**City Council** candidates should consult their OCPF packets regarding depository-filing requirements).
- October 27:** **5 p.m.** deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail.
- November 1:** **Noontime (12 p.m.)** deadline to apply for absentee ballot for over-the-counter voting.
- November 2:** **Municipal Election. Polls are open 7 a.m. until 8 p.m.**
All absentee ballots (except overseas absentee ballots) must arrive at the Election Commission **office** by 8 p.m. to be counted. **Ballot count begins at Senior Center, 806 Massachusetts Avenue, Central Square after the polls close.** Overseas absentee ballots are due by **5 p.m.** on Friday, November 12th, but must be postmarked by November 2nd.
- November 3:** **9am – 5pm.** Ballot count resumes at Senior Center, 806 Massachusetts Avenue, Central Square.
- November 12:** Overseas absentee ballots and provisional ballots will be counted at **5 p.m.**